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SUBJECT: CYRPUS TALKS

1. AUSTRIAN DAILIES OF FEB. 20 EITHER GAVE LIGHT COVERAGE OR
TOTALLY IGNORED THE CYPRUS TALKS.

2. VIENNA'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS DAILY, THE INDEPENDENT DIE
PRESSE, REPORTEDLY BRIEFLY ON THE "POSITIVE RESULTS" OF THE
THURSDAY'S MEETINGS. THESE RESULTS CONSISTED OF RECORDING
BOTH SIDES OPINION ON THE TERRITORIAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEMS.
BOTH CLERIDES AND DENKTASH SAID AFTER THE MEETING THAT THZRE
HAD BEEN AN INTENSIVE EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS. CLERIDES IS ALSO
QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE HAS NOT YET TABLED A DETAILED MAP,
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BUT THAT HE CARRIES ONE WITH HIM.

3. IN A SPECIAL COMMENTARY FROM NICOSIA, RUDOLF K. MESSER, SALZBURGER VOLKSBLATT CORRESPONDENT, CALIMED IN THE FEB. 20 EDITION THAT DENKTASH WOULD NOT MIND THE VIENNA TALKS ENDING IN FAILURE, SINCE THIS WOULD ENABLE HIM TO INTENSIFY THE "TURKIFICATION" OF THE CONQUERED TERRITORIES. THE GREEK CYPRIOT HOPE THAT THE TURKS CAN BE PERSUADED TO KEEP ONLY 20 TO 25 PERCENT OF THE 40 PERCENT OF THE ISLAND OCCUPIED BY THEM IS UTTERLY UNREALISTIC, ACCORDING TO MESSER; FURTHER, HE SAYS THAT GREEK CYPRIOT LEADERS ARE AWARE OF THIS, THOUGH ONLY "UNOFFICIALLY,".BARDOS

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